

The FCC Rules for Access BPL require that a database be created and set up to keep all licensed users accurately aware of all proposed and installed Access BPL systems.

The UPLC is a group set up by the Utility Industry that may have a vested interest in encouraging Access BPL systems that might outweigh their interest in not creating harmful interference in the HF bands.

The UPLC has expressed an interest in creating and managing the Access BPL database. Because they presently manage other radio related databases for licensed radio users, they are a logical choice to manage this new Access BPL database.

I want to stress that the FCC should insist that UPLC create a database that is completely informative and completely and easily accessible to all licensed users. The UPLC should not be allowed to conceal any information that would help any licensed user identify, report, and get resolution for interference that is caused by an Access BPL system.

The UPLC must allow free and open access to the database without unnecessary intervening steps or procedures by any licensed user.

Since licensed users can operate in many zip codes, the UPLC database must allow queries of any wider area without restriction or any restrictions in the quantity of queries. Anything less would be a subversion of the intent of the FCC to support identification and resolution of interference to any licensed user.

Although most licensed users are licensed for specific locations or regions, amateur radio operators are free to travel or visit any place in the country. Amateur radio operators may want to plan or choose their operations in distant locations and would want to know ahead of time if there were potential interference sources before travelling.

Overall the FCC must uphold the integrity of their rules and ensure that the UPLC or any other database operator selected does not inhibit the necessary flow of complete, accurate, and timely information to all licensed users.